SAND BATHS AND WATER BATHS FOR BEASTS AND BIRDS.

Most of the Smaller Creatures Are More Particular with Their Appearance Than a Large Part of the Human Family. Methods of Some of the Birds.

Brushes and combs most animals carry with them. "Brilliantine" also is carried in a small and handy reservoir by all ducks and divers. Mud serves for cold cream and vaseline; dust for fuller's earth and pearl powder, and water, as with us, is perhaps the most important necessary. But birds especially are mighty particular about the quality of their "toilet dust," and equally nice as to the water in which they prefer to wash. Some use water only, some water or dust, others dust and no water. Partridges are a good example of the dusting birds, and are most careful in the selection of their dust baths. Dry loam suits

But perhaps their favorite place is a meadow where a few turfs have been removed. There they scratch out the loam, and shuffle backward under the grass roots till their feathers are full of the cool earth. In wet weather they find, if possible, a heap of burnt ashes on the site of a weed fire, and dust there. Sparrows, on the contrary, always choose road dust, the dryest and finest possible. Larks also are fond of the road, and dust there in the early morn-But they, too, have their fancy, and choose the dry, gritty part where the horses' hoofs tread.

Wild ducks, though feeding by the salt water, prefer to wash in fresh water pools, and will fly long distances inland to running brooks and ponds, where they preen and wash themselves in the early morning. But though passing so much time on the water, ducks seem to prefer a shower bath to any other; and in heavy rain they may be seen opening their feathers and allowing the rain to sonk in, after which they dress the whole surface with oil from the reservoir which we mentioned above. Swallows and martins are as nice in their choice of bath water as any "professional beauty;" nothing but newly fallen rain water thoroughly pleases them, and if tempted to bathe, it is generally by some shallow pool in the road which an hour's sun will evaporate.

A FALCON'S BATH. We have never seen hawks or falcons bathing when wild. Trained birds in good health bathe almost daily, and the bath of a peregrine falcon is a very careful performance. But no nymph could be more jealous of a witness than these shy birds, and it is not until after many careful glances in every direction that the falcon descends from her block and wades into the shallow bath. Then, after more suspicious glances, she thrusts her broad head under the water and Bings it on her back, at the same time raising the feathers and letting the drops

thoroughly soak them. After bathing head and back she spreads her wings and tail fan like on the water and rapidly opens and shuts them, after which she stoops down and splashes the drops in every direction. The bath over, she flies once more to the block, and turning her back to the sun, spreads every feather of the wing and tail, raises those on the body and assists the process of drying by a tremulous motion imparted to every quill, looking more like an old cormorant on a

buoy than a peregrine. careful toilet of any class of animal, with the exception of some of the opossoms. The lions and tigers wash themselves in exactly the same manner as the cat, wetting the dark, India rubber like ball of the fore foot and the inner toe, and passing it over the face and behind the ears.

CLEANLINESS OF A DOG. One of the most charming pets we have kept, and the most particular as to washing and brushing its feet and fur, was a levely brown op ssum from Tasmania. "Sooty phalar gist" was, we believe, its scientific name. It was covered with deep rich brown fur, had a face something like a fox, a pink nose, hands with a nailless thumb, and long claws on the fingers. It washed its feet every two or three mirutes.

Water rats are very clean animals, and wash and brush their faces "like Christians." We saw one on a pond at Welling, in Kent, swir a out to pick up the blossoms of an a acia tree which were falling on the water. After daintily eating each flower on the bank he licked his hands, wiped his mustaches and swam off for another. We also tried an acacia blossom, but except a slightly sweet flavor, could find noth ing to account for the rat's taste for

Sporting dogs, which are used in mud, snow and wet, are strangely clever and quick in cleaning and drying their coats, and it is a sure sign that a dog has been over tired if he shows any trace of mud or dirt next morning. Most of their toilet is done with the tongue, but they are very clever at using a thick box bush or the side of a haystack as a rough towel. One small spaniel which we allowed to live in the house was well aware that if he returned dirty he would not be admitted indoors.

About an hour before the close of the day's shooting he used to strike work and begin to clean himself, and if urged to do more would slip off home and present himself nest and clean in the dining room. One day the dog had been left at home, and his master returned and seated himself, wet and with half frozen drops of ice sticking to his gaiters, by the fire. Pan ran up and carefully licked off the frozen ice and snow, stopping every now and then to give an anxions look, which said as plainly as possible, "Dear me, if I don't get him clean quickly he will be sent to lie in the stable."-Spectator.





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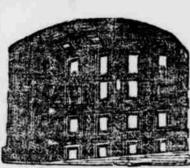
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peculiar way. eighty and ninety, and were worth in logue. the vicinity of \$12,000, as they were all large stones.

On the invoice they were billed as imitation French jewels of the new kind. These diamonds are made of brilliant pieces of glass highly polished and deftly overed with a thin coating of genuine diamond shavings. These stones are so expertly made that it is almost impossible to detect the imitation even by the use of a strong microscope. The telltale feature of the imitation stone is a roughness around the circular edge at the widest part of the stone, where the two layers of the diamond coating join.

This is really the only way that the imitation can be detected. Emeralds, pearls and rubies are also made in this way. It is necessary to use a microscope to detect this roughness about the

When the consignment of supposed imitation diamonds arrived the assistant appraiser assigned to gauge their value examined each stone carefully with a powerful microscope, and found that all of them had the tell tale roughness on the edges. He accordingly allowed them to be delivered to the consignees on payment of the duty based upon a valuation of \$600. This saved the firm

As a matter of fact the jewelers knew he means taken by the custom house athorities to discover if the stones were unitation or not, and had filed the edges of the diamonds before shipment from the other side, so that they resembled The diamonds numbered between the spurious articles.—Jewelers' Cata- kled at the prospect.—Cincinnati Com-What "Burgoo" Is.

"Burgoo," explained Col. James Orr,

of Covington, "is one of the oldest Kentucky dishes we have. No one knows who first made 'burgoo,' nor does any one know where or how it got its oneer name. 'Burgoo' is an out of doors creation, and pots of 'burgoo' have simmered over a hot fire in the sun at every big political gathering in the state since Henry Clay was a boy, and years before that, too. It is not only an extremely palatable dish, if you can call it that, but it's very nourishing. 'Burgoo' is a cross between a stew and a soup. It is always made in the open air.
"How is it made? Well, I take a big

cauldron, put some red pepper pods in the bottom, add some potatoes, tomatoes and corn; then put in half a dozen prairie chickens, as many more tender 'yellow lega' and a couple of dozen soft shell crabs. I add some young squirrels when they can be obtained. When everything is in readiness there is enough water put into the cauldron to just make the con-

tents fleat. "Then it is put on the fire. It must be allowed to signmer slowly for six so that a furnisher is very often comhours, and must be stirred constantly

best and is always used, but another might do as well. When it is nearly done it may be flavored to suit the taste. It is 'done' when the meats are thoroughly shredded not before. When it is done-um?" and Col. Orr's eyes sparmercial Gazette.

An Octogenarian Up a Spire.

A venerable athlete of Leyweller, who is known throughout Lothringen and the Erckmann-Chatrian country as "Old Vetter Michel," made a wonderful exhibition of his undiminished prowess one day. Although he has passed his eightieth year, the lively old gentleman actthe parish church of Saar-Alben, which is 132 feet high. There he stayed some minutes, turning the weathercock round and round, and performing a few other gymnastic feats. He then came down again as quietly and composedly as he had ascended, smid the cheering of the crowd of admirers. The athletic world will surely acknowledge "Vetter Michel" to be the champion grand old man of the profession, although less sympathetic critics will probably say that there

Color of Natural Wool.

is no fool like an old fool.-Pall Mail

There are certain fullacies abroad concerning the proper color of natural wool. and of natural silk, too, for that matter,

pink, which he furthermore is expected to verify as being the natural color of the undved thread. Now many a long hour's soak in the dye tub do both silk and wool undergo to acquire the "natural" color demanded by the public, and the customer is now so used to the deception which his persistently false notion compels the manufacturer to practice that he would not believe the real undyed fabric to be genuine if he saw it.-Clothier and Furnisher.

A Big Bargain.

The new girl stood behind the counter in a South End bake shop. A young man walked briskly up and laid down wo cents, with the words, "Two kisses. Doubtless he would have been satisfied with two of the white sugar and egg structures in the showcase, but the new derk, who was brought up in Thompsonville, climbed upon a stool and pursed her red lips so temptingly that the cusomer got an extraordinary bargainour kisses for two cents.-Springfield (Mass.) Homestead.

Forgot Mis Dates.

Mr. Sliptoby-Well, madam, you made a fool of me when I married you; that's

dead sure. Mrs. Siptoby-Why, Nicodemus, long before we were married you always boasted that you were a self made man. So don't blame me - New York Herald

hours, and must be stirred constantly pelled to keep his "natural" wool under with a hickory stick. A hickory stick is wear of a decidedly gray color, and his Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

PRESERVED IN STONE

Figures, Mussive Ruins and Palaces

The Caroline islands, which are now ecognized as belonging to Spain, though the Germans tried to annex them a few years ago, form one of the largest archi-pelagos of the Pacific, covering a sea area of more than 2,000 miles, and comprising over 500 separate fragments of land. Some of these islets are mere rocks, many are uninhabited and a few are very populous. Excepting those at the eastern end of the chain, and the large island of Yap at the western end, they have been rarely, some of them never, visited by white men, unless in the dubious form of "beach combers."

Kusaie, sometimes called Strong island, is about fifty miles in circumference, is of basaltic formation, has a large extent of high ground, and boasts of two excellent harbors. The people are reputedly industrious and peaceable -for South Sea islanders-and they have sking of their own. They belong, to all appearance, to the Polynesian race, but travelers have declared that they seem capable of a higher civilization than the average Polynesian. It is remarkable that the chiefs communicate by signs and speech not understood by the common people.

LITTLE EASTER ISLAND. If we traverse some few thousand miles of ocean to the very eastern out-skirts of Polynesia we shall find the little island called Easter island, which is barely ten miles long by four miles broad, which has no trees, no running water, and very little about it to attract settlers. It is of volcanic origin, and one of the extinct craters is over 1,000

Yet this physically uninteresting island, peopled by Polynesians of the fair type, such as are found in the Society islands, is the greatest mystery of the Pacific. It is covered with remains of some prehistoric people of whom every record but that preserved in stone seems to have

At the southwest end of this little island there are to be found the ruins of nearly a hundred stone houses, built in regular lines and facing the sea. The walls of these houses are five feet thick and over five feet high, built of layers of flat stones and lined inside with flat Photograhers' . Supplies! slabs. Internally the house about forty feet long by thirteen feet wide, and they are roofed over with slabs. overlapping like tiles. The inside walls are painted in three colors-red, black and white-with figures of birds and mystic beasts and faces and geometrical figures. In one of these houses was found a curious stone statue eight feet high and weighing about four tons,

which is now in the British museum. The sea cliffs near this ancient settle ment are carved into grotesque shapes not unlike the paintings on the walls, and the coast is marked with hundreds of

these strange sculptures. Again, on each headland of the island there is an enormous stone platform, built of hewn blocks of great size, fitted together without cement. They are built on sloping ground, presenting on the seaward side a wall face twenty or thirty feet high and two or three hundred feet long, and on the landward side a wall of about three feet in height rising from a level terrace.

EVIDENCES OF WORSHIP. These platforms have evidently had to do with the religious practices of the upon all of them are large stone pedestals which have supported images, and on some of them broken images are still to be seen. On one platform fifteen images were found, in size ranging from three to thirty-five feet in height. They are of human shape, representing the upper part of the hody only, with arms and hands close to the sides. The heads are cut flat to allow of crowns being placed on them, which crowns seem to have been made, not of the same material as the statues, but of red tufa. This has been traced to an extinct crater within a few miles of the houses, and on the brink of this crater a large number of crowns were found, finished and ready for removal before some strange fate depeopled the island of these an-

cient worshipers. The images themselves are made of gray lava, which is only found at quite another crater at the other end of the island. At this crater, called Otouli, there are several finished and partly finished images, just as they were left by the workmen. It is remarkable that the present natives have small wooden images carved out of a bard, dark wood, but these images are hideous and differ altogether from the dignified statues of the platforms.

The present inhabitants are simply tattooed savages, who are more than suspected to have a taste for cannibalism. They live in long, low houses, in shape like an upturned cance, with only a single opening about two feet square, wholly unlike the massive stone villages we have described. There may have been wood on the island at one time, for the natives are well provided with cinte and spears, and they also use a double headed paddle which has not been ob-served elsewhere in the Pacific. But, on the other hand, they may have brought these implements with them, for they have a tradition that their great-greatgrandfathers emigrated from the labord of Rapaiti, about 2,000 miles away, and just south of the instral group. He this m it may, they call their present abode Rapahui, or Great Itapa, to distinguish it from what they call their former home. - Cam dl's Magazine.

Jumbo's stomach centained many English coins, gold as well as silver and bronse. The eleptiont's skin was one and a half inches thick. The skeleton weighs 2,400 pseuds, and the total weight of the body was ever six tons.

A fimali Job. "My lord, but this is suitien! Just give se time to collect my scattered with and

time will be all you need for a spinil lextion like that "-St. Joseph News. Hadn't Dene It Tet-

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The Doubter-How do you mean they were benighted? The Narrator - Because in all that time I heard no one whistling "Annie



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Passenger—I think that would suit me exactly after a few whiffs. It's a cigar that old Brown gave me this morning—

Statistics of the Bailways. Some valuable statistics of the railways of the United States have been given by the statistician of the interstate commerce commission in his report for the year ending June 10, 1800. Under the caption of "Men Employed on Railways" figures show that the railroads in this country give direct employment to 704,743 workers, averaging 450 to each 100 miles of road. Another table is presented showing in contrast that the number of employes on English railways amount to 1,748 per 100 nales of road, or

about four to one as compared with this In this connection the statisticion makes significant reference to the munber of railway accidents from all causes for the year, the number of pertilled and injured being respecti 5,823 and 25,369. The tables p cophasize with torse-necessity for immediate and stringent recessity for immediate and safety applicophasizo trità tersoculora fu street.-New York Commercial Adv

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